THE WEATHER.
FORECAST FOR NEXT 24 HOURS.
INCREASING CLOUDINESS tonight probably local snows Tuesday morning followed by clear weather

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BY TELEGRAPH.

INTO THE OCEAN.

A Northampton Physician Jumps From an Ocean Steamer.

BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INSANE.

Had Practiced in Northampton for Twenty Years. Was Successful in His Business. Leaves Wife and Children

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript]

New York, Feb 8 —During the passage of the Hamburg American steamer Columbia, which arrived this morning from Genoa, Dr. C W Cooper of Northampton, Mass., jumped overboard and was drowned.

Dr Cooper was a graduate of Amherst and Harvard medical schools. No cause can be attributed for the terrible act other than that he was made temporarily insane from overwork

Northampton, Feb 8 —His wife is nearly crazed over the news, and his many friends and acquaintances declined to believe the report this afternoon He was very successful in his practice and was highly esteemed in this city He had practiced here for 25 years. A wife and two children survive him

Cuban Resolution Not Heard.

Special Dispatch to the Transcript]

Washington, Feb 8 —This was District of Columbia day with every promise of a dull session Mr Talbott attempted to secure a reading of the resolution adopted by the legislature of South Carolina expressing sympathy with the struggle of the Cuban insurgents Some objection being made, the House proceeded to the consideration of the District of Columbia business

Nothing Heard of the Squadron

Special Dispatch to the Transcript]

Washington, Feb 8 —The life-saving bureau having stations along South Atlantic coast has heard nothing of Admiral Bunce s squadron Captain Robley Evans said today "It is my opinion that there is occasion for alarm Some of the vessels are slow craft The squadron is probably moving in concert"

Over the President's Veto.

(Special Dispatch to the Transcript

Washington, Feb 8 —Senator Daniel reported today from the judiciary committee in favor of passing over the President s veto a bill for a new division of the Eastern judicial district Being a privileged question the bill received immediate consideration

River on a Rampage

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript

Richmond, Feb 8 —James river is on a rampage here Considerable property in the low district has been damaged and most of the steamboat wharves have been submerged Goods have been removed to higher places, and all incoming vessels have been delayed at Newport News.

FINANCIAL.

New York Market.

[Closing Quotations 3 p m.]

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Chicago Markets.

Wheat—Cash	May July
Corn—Cash	May 2 4 July
Oats—Cash 15	May 1
Pork—Cash 7 5	May 7
Lard—Cash 5 70	May 3

Cotton

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February	6 90
March	6 9
April	6 93
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September	
October	6 68

LOCAL NEWS
—ON—
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CRETAN OUTBREAK

Disturbances Continue and More Christians Are Massacred.

TURKS TAKE PART WITH ARTILLERY

Reported That the Christians Have Captured the Arsenal at Suda—Greece Makes an Appropriation To Care for the Refugees.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript]

Athens, Feb. 8 —The Greek squadron on arriving at Canea passed by the Turkish flag without giving the required salute The act is significant, and is an indication of possible international war. Official advices say that the Mussulmans are preparing a massacre at Retimo. Three thousand people took part yesterday evening in a big manifestation in front of the ministry of marine The air was filled with continued cries of "long live Crete," and "long live the Union" It is thought possible that a ministerial crisis will result from the manifestations

Berlin, Feb 8 —A special dispatch from Athens says it is rumored there that foreign warships have commenced to bombard Canea The report is not confirmed here The German warship, Kaiserin Augusta, has been ordered to prepare to sail as soon as possible for Crete

Athens, Feb 8 —A dispatch from Canea to the Asty states that incessant rifle and cannon firing was heard outside of Canea yesterday and last night, and that the Turkish troops took part in the fighting using artillery Many Christians were killed It is reported that the Christians have captured the arsenal at Suda The Asty s correspondent adds that he saw Moslems pillaging the bakers' quarter in Canea, killing and mutilating epirot bakers

London Feb 8 —The Standard s Athens correspondent telegraphs that sailors were landed from the foreign vessels in the harbor of Canea to prevent the entire destruction of that city by the incendiary fires that were started on Friday The flames were not subdued until they had burned for thirty six hours The dispatch adds that a number of Turks, aided by the troops, have marched to Halepa, which place is defended by Christians. With the exception of Canea Retimo and Heraklion, nearly the whole island is reported to be in possession of armed Christians, who are only awaiting a signal from Greece to proclaim the union of Crete with Greece

London, Feb 8 —A dispatch from Athens to the Central News says that the Greek government had asked the chamber to grant a credit of 100,000 drachmas, to be devoted to the support of the Cretans who are fleeing to Greece owing to the disturbances in Crete The dispatch adds that Prince George second son of the king of Greece, will command the Grecian torpedo fleet, which is in readiness to start for Crete.

Canea, Feb 8 —The officials here have announced that the fires have been quenched In all 200 buildings have been destroyed Five thousand Christians have fled Of this number 2000 are on British warships, and the rest have been taken off by the Greek warships The official report further says that tranquility reigns in the town and that the Turkish troops are behaving orderly No excesses have been reported on their part, and it is also asserted that there has been no plundering In every way the officials are endeavoring to suppress the announcement of the details of the horrible affair

HOISTED A GREEK FLAG.

Christians at Canea Have Proclaimed Union With Greece

Special Dispatch to the Transcript]

Athens, Feb 8 —A dispatch from Canea this afternoon says that the Christians about Canea has hoisted a Greek flag, proclaiming the union of that island with Greece and have invited the King of Greece to take possession

Peculiar Appeal for Executive Clemency.

St Louis Feb 8 —Mrs Minor Meriwether, the leader of the woman suffragists of the state and a woman distinguished among advanced thinkers, has addressed a letter to Gov Stephens asking for a commutation of the death sentence imposed upon Dr Arthur Duestrow to imprisonment for life The principal argument in her lengthy petition to the governor for clemency is that Duestrow s crime was directly chargeable to liquor, and that as the state authorizes the sale of liquor it is participeps criminis and should not punish with the extreme penalty one of its citizens for committing a crime to which it has in morals, if not in law, contributed

Great Bicycle Race.

Cleveland Feb 8 —Louis Gimm of Cleveland the long distance bicycler, defeated Teddy Hale the Irish champion, in a 100-mile race at Central armory Saturday night For 80 miles the riders 'pockeyed to be each other and then let loose. Gimm took the lead and although Hale managed to get abreast several times he was each time forced to give way In the last two laps Gimm increased his lead a little, finishing twenty feet or so ahead of Hale The official time was four hours and fifty six seconds The last mile was made in 2 39.

WEEK IN CONGRESS.

Arbitration Treaty and Important Business Before the Senate.

ELABORATE SPEECHES PREPARED.

Threats to Prevent the Inauguration Regarded Most Unlikely of Development. Fears Entertained for the Treaty s Fate Busy Week.

Washington, Feb 8 —Three weeks and three working days only remain to this congress and there are evidences on the part of the senate of an intention to catch up with some of the work that has been neglected Appropriation bills cause little uneasiness, for they can be speedily passed and, besides, no harm would follow, in view of the extra session which is to be called for March 15 if some of these bills failed to become laws before March 4 The arbitration treaty with Great Britain will be taken up this afternoon, Mr Sherman having given notice to that effect The chairman of the foreign relations committee is very sanguine and expects to see the treaty promptly ratified. He will ask the senate to remain in secret session so that they may be able to reach a vote upon it by to morrow evening, if possible Mr Sherman s sanguine views are not shared by other senators who are probably better informed as to the feeling of the senate on this matter Mr Hale fears that the opponents of the treaty may be able to defeat it. Others of the senators anticipate an organized effort to start an interminable debate on the treaty with the view of holding it up until after March 4 It is well known that several senators have prepared elaborate speeches on the subject, and the men who are opposed to the treaty are those who will debate it most. When the treaty is called up a motion will be made to have the discussion proceed with open doors. It is doubtful if this will prevail but a very considerable vote will favor it As the result of a conference of the republican and democratic steering committees it has been agreed that Nicaragua canal bill—owing to the filibustering against it—shall be dropped and the bankruptcy bill substituted in its place as the regular order This action is not calculated to Mark Mr Morgan, who has been the special champion of the Nicaragua canal bill, and less vigorous in his opposition to the arbitration treaty, which he regards as being mixed up with the canal question The Cameron resolutions recognizing the independence of the republic of Cuba which were supposed to have disappeared as a possible disturbing influence, are to be called up again by Mr Morgan The bankruptcy bill will probably be given the right of way after the arbitration treaty has consumed a couple of days. The bill as reported to the senate differs materially from the bill which passed the house Many speeches will be made on it in the senate The house bill provides only for involuntary bankruptcy and some senators contend is drawn solely in the interest of the creditor class The majority report to the senate provides for voluntary bankruptcy except in case of fraud The text of the proposed measure, which made sixty four pages when passed by the house, has been condensed by the senate to eighteen pages. Mr Hoar has made a minority report in favor of the house measure and Mr Nelson has offered a substitute for sixteen of the sections of the bill reported by Mr Teller on behalf of the committee Following the bankruptcy bill the senate may take up the Hawaiian cable measure providing for the payment of $160,000 a year for twenty years to a company building and maintaining a cable between the United States and Honolulu and between Honolulu and Japan There is no prospect however of this measure becoming a law during this congress. On Wednesday next both house of congress will go through the form of counting and declaring the vote which will make William McKinley the next president of the United States and Garret A Hobart of New Jersey, vice president and president of the senate Statements as to probable protests and interruptions are regarded as most unlikely of development Pursuant to the law of 1887, the senate and house of representatives will meet in joint convention in the hall of the house of representatives at 1 o clock p m, and under a form of proceedings prescribed by that law the certificates sent from the several states will be opened the votes cast for the electors for president and vice president will be counted and the result will be declared by the vice president of the United States This declaration will be the only official notification which Major McKinley and Mr Hobart will receive of the high offices conferred upon them They will take official cognizance of the facts without requiring a 'communication in writing'

Pension Agent Force Reduced.

Washington, Feb 8 —The president has signed on the recommendation of the secretary of the interior, Francis an important order reducing the number of pension agencies in the United States from eighteen to nine The object is to effect a very large saving to the government without inconveniencing the pensioners The secretary demonstrates that by this reduction of the pension agencies the cost of disbursing can be reduced by at least $150,000 per annum

Killed Himself at the Age of 71.

Hudson N Y, Feb 6 —Thomas Crane of New York city an inmate of the State Volunteer Firemen's home here, committed suicide last evening by cutting his throat. He was 71 years old.

WORKING FOR HANNA

Bushnell Urged To Appoint Him to the Senate.

APPEALS COME FROM ALL QUARTERS

Prominent Republicans Believe the National Chairman's Work in the Recent Campaign Is Deserving of Recognition — Bushnell's Dilemma.

Canton, O, Feb 8 —The political forecasters have dropped the work of filling the remaining vacancies in Major McKinley s cabinet and are now wrestling with a far more difficult problem—the position Mark A Hanna is to occupy after March 4, next Gov Bushnell could lift a load from their minds, but this he seems determined not to do, for the present at least Just what the governor s intentions are regarding the senatorial matter is not known to even Major McKinley or Chairman Hanna and it is doubtful if the governor himself knows what he will do in the matter although his wishes are pretty well understood Great pressure is being brought to bear on Ohio s chief executive by republicans of prominence and influence from all parts of the country to induce him to appointed Mr Hanna to the senate to succeed Sherman and if he does so Mr Hanna will owe him no thanks for the position S A Perkins, assistant secretary of the National Republican club who is in charge of the permanent headquarters in Washington is in Canton to-day He came by way of Cleveland, where he had a long interview with Mr Hanna about the work and plans of the committee Mr Perkins said "The sentiment in favor of the appointment of Mr Hanna to the senate of the United States is very strong in Washington and seems to be national in scope for it is expressed and echoed daily by republicans from all parts of the country The republicans who come here think Mr Hanna s services to the country and the party which were freely given without thought of reward are deserving of substantial recognition and that the people of Ohio could hardly do less than to send him to the senate" Mr Hanna s friends in Cleveland are pretty open in the assertion that he will not accept a cabinet portfolio It develops here from talks with prominent men who have visited Major McKinley recently that he does not expect to make many appointments to the diplomatic and consular service till the extra session is well under way His idea is that the business of the country ought to be attended to before the work of apportioning the patronage is taken up He thinks his first duty is to do all that he can to hasten the return of prosperity It is pretty generally understood that the reorganization of the consular service will not be seriously commenced before June 1

The Damaged Cruiser Brooklyn

Philadelphia Feb 8 —The damaged cruiser Brooklyn was brought from Marcus Hook to League Island navy yard yesterday afternoon She is now anchored off League Island and will probably in a day or two dry dock there to undergo repairs to mouth w It has been discovered by a diver that in addition to damaging her bottom when she struck a piece a foot long and six inches wide was broken off one of the blades of the propeller on the port side.

Death of Assemblyman Fmmett

Albany Feb 8 —Hon Robert S Fmmett jr assemblyman from the Second district of Westchester died in this city yesterday afternoon after an illness of four weeks with typhoid fever Mr Emmett was but 28 years of age a prominent lawyer practicing in New York city Speaker O Grady in making up his committees appointed Mr Emmett on judiciary and trades and manufactures The remains will be taken to his former home to day

Death of Talcott H Camp

Watertown, N Y, Feb 8 —Talcott H Camp president of the Jefferson County National bank of this city and also president of the Jefferson County Savings bank and for many years the leading banker of northern New York, died at his home here yesterday afternoon of pneumonia at the age of 86 years He was born in Oneida county and was the son of George Camp, one of the pioneers of this section

New Rules for the Patent Office

Washington Feb 8 —Secretary of the Interior Francis has approved the new rules of practice in the patent office and they will be officially promulgated in the present week The changes in fees are usually reductions and the regulations are less numerous and lengthy

Floods in the Monongahela.

Pittsburg, Feb 8 —The rain of the past few days has caused a rapid rise in the river and considerable damage A number of boats left for the south with coal fleets last night and about 6,000 000 bushels of coal will go out on the present rise

Escaped Murderer Recaptured.

Brockville, Pa, Feb 8 —Joseph Aiello the condemned murderer who escaped from the jail Friday night, was recaptured two miles north of here last night

Spread of Bubonic Plague.

Tashkend Feb 8 —The governor of the Trans Caspian territories announces that the bubonic plague has appeared at Candahar Afghanistan

Death of a Noted Italian Soldier.

Rome, Feb 8 —Gen Raffaele Cadorna, one of the best known of Italian soldiers, died yesterday. He was born at Milan in 1815.

SPAIN'S GENEROSITY

Extended to the Utmost Limit to the People of Cuba.

ALL RESTS WITH THE REBELS NOW

Ministerde Lome Discusses the Scope of the Proposed Reforms for the Island. Will Enlarge Our Trade Relations with Cuba, He Says.

Washington Feb 8 —The Spanish legation has received, with the full abstract of the new reforms for the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico the preamble of Senor Canovas announcing the terms of the new decree This preamble expresses the kindliest feelings towards the Cuban people and declares that their mother Spain is disposed as she always has been to open her arms to them and to extend amnesty for past offenses and declares that the application of the reforms only depends upon the insurgents Minister Dupuy de Lome discussed the scope of the reforms last night with a representative of the United Associated Presses He said in substance The electoral reforms were not referred to at length in the decree of the minister for the reason stated in the preamble of Senor Canovas that they will require the action of the cortes I am informed however that the government contemplates greatly extending the basis of the suffrage but they desire to do it in such a way as to prevent a sudden influence being acquired by the illiterate portion of the population It is proposed to abolish the requirement that a man shall be a taxpayer there in order to be a voter The present law requires the payment of taxes amounting in the aggregate to five dollars, except where the privilege of voting is extended to the graduates of the universities and other members of the learned professions Any educational qualification which may be suggested by the Cubans and which seems reasonable and proper will undoubtedly be adopted by the cortes The subject must be regulated by that body but it is the serious intention of the Spanish government to adopt a policy of liberal reform which will greatly broaden the existing basis of suffrage and increase the number of Cubans who take part in the government of the island In other words under the new law anyone may vote without regard to the five-dollar tax provided he is not illiterate

The Limit in Her Generosity.

"It is the purpose of the government to show the greatest generosity towards the insurgents who lay down their arms The reforms cannot well be put in full effect until the sovereignty of Spain is acknowledged in all parts of the island The government will not relax its military activity in any degree if the insurgents however dispose to continue the contest and fail to appreciate the great concessions made by the home government Spain has gone to the utmost limit in her generosity to the Cuban people and has established a system by which the island will hereafter be governed in Cuba by residents of the island instead of being governed from Madrid The right to hold office is given to Spaniards who have lived two years in Cuba because they have become in a large degree identified with the interests of the island In this respect the proposed policy is not unlike that which has been pursued by the United States where members of both political parties have delighted to honor citizens born outside the country Conspicuous examples are found in the cases of Mr Wilson of Iowa who is to be a member of the cabinet of your next president who I believe was born in Scotland and of Carl Schurz who was born in Germany but was secretary of the interior under the administration of President Hayes

Trade Relations with the United States

"The tariff features of the new decree are very comprehensive in their scope and mean a great deal for the United States as well as for Cuba The first column of the new tariff schedule providing for revenue will contain the greatest number of items leaving the list on which discriminations are made in favor of Spain not exceeding 90 per cent of the value of the imports a comparatively short one The duties levied will be equal against all countries except Spain, and American manufacturers and exporters in view of their familiarity with Cuban trade and their nearness to the island, are likely to appreciate the importance of these concessions The situation will be much more favorable to American trade than under the reciprocity treaty of 1890 There were in that treaty two schedules for American goods one of 25 per cent and another of 50 per cent, but Spain had the right to provide for the entrance of her products free of duty thus giving her a marked advantage over the United States The Spanish West Indies are the best consumers of United States products that you have on this continent It will be necessary for the home government to consult Cubans before a reciprocity treaty is concluded The new reforms distinctly provides that such treaties may be suggested by the new council of administration

Spaniards Oppose the Cuban Reforms.

Madrid Feb 8 —There is much dissatisfaction expressed here over what are believed to be the excessive concessions made to the Cubans in the scheme of reforms, and it is thought that cabinet changes are likely to result It is reported that Marquis Pidal or Gen Martinez Campos will shortly replace Senor Canovas del Castillo the prime minister. The latter, should he resign, would place himself at the disposal of the crown, which would possibly advise him to support Pidal.

TRUST IN THE SULTAN

Reform Protocol Contains No Reference to Coercion.

WARNING MAY COME LATER, HOWEVER

The Young Czar Long a Victim of Epileptic Fits. Czarewitch and Grand Duke Michael Improving - Troubles of the Austrian Imperial Family

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Berlin Feb 8 —There is the very best authority for the statement that the draft of the reform protocol as completed by the ambassadors at their conferences in Constantinople is drawn upon the assumption that the sultan will accept the proposals but there is no reference therein either directly or indirectly to any possibility of resort to coercion on the part of the powers to enforce them [illegible] the government [illegible] the [illegible] Austrian minister [illegible] their [illegible] opposition [illegible] any further consideration of the question of coercion [illegible] the [illegible] powers [illegible] the Armenian question [illegible] the concession [illegible] the sultan with the proposals to inform the [illegible] that powers [illegible] acceptance [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] measure however [illegible] has not been decided upon

The Czar s Ailment

A pretty good deal [illegible] the situation [illegible] the utterance of the [illegible] which, in a article [illegible] says The greatest task of the powers will only begin when the [illegible] upon them that a long [illegible] will yet elapse before [illegible] approved by each of the governments [illegible] formal [illegible] goes through the formal diplomatic course of presentation to the port [illegible] having been gone through with the proposals will be presented to the sultan by his ministers and they will be certain to be referred back to the ambassadors throughout a prolonged process of communication [illegible] issue, unless events in the interior shall shatter the sultan's [illegible] and compel the powers to [illegible] his own game The plain truth is that now is before the so-called [illegible] the powers to insure [illegible] concerted action in the matter of coercion and the sultan knows that they dare not The public opinion of the civilized [illegible] Turkish [illegible] he was a fanatic [illegible] Christian [illegible] he was subject to occasional [illegible] are however, and were supposed to be the closest medical [illegible] likely to disappear as his physique strengthened The sultan [illegible] by youth [illegible] of a [illegible] strength [illegible] but [illegible] were never [illegible] constitutional [illegible] with the world and troubles insurmountable from the throne During the first year he has had [illegible] epileptic seizures [illegible] These [illegible] are not [illegible] of pressure or political gossip

The Austrian Succession.

The private correspondence which continually proceeds between the Danish German English and Russian royalties their family correspondence which is quite distinct from the diplomatic contains much that never leaves out But each royal personage male or female generally has a confident, and through these sources the alarm as to the czar s condition has become known Not that any serious fears are entertained as to his being obliged to create a regency nor any as to immediate danger to his life His royal relatives are distressed however by the possibility of body and mind being weakened if the seizures do not lessen in frequency and are understood to concur in urging the czar to give up most of his imperial duties to the projected new council of state His medical attendants have prescribed a strict regimen designed to strengthen especially the nervous system He has abandoned smoking and only takes a very limited quantity of wine Apart from his epileptic condition his health is good There is better news about the czarewitch and the czar s younger brother, the Grand Duke Michael always in delicate health is becoming stronger The consumptive and neurotic tendency of the Russian imperial house has its parallel in the Austrian The political consequences arising from the suicide of Crown Prince Rudolph and the illness of the present heir presumptive the Archduke Franz Ferdinand have been long under consideration by Emperor Francis Joseph and it is said that he has sounded his ministers and political leaders to ascertain what support they will give to the recognition of his granddaughter, Archduchess Elizabeth

County Offices for the Lowest Bidder.

Topeka Kan Feb 8 —A bill has been introduced in the senate by Mr Hanna pop, for the letting out of all county offices to the lowest bidder

Defaulting Cashier Breder in Toronto.

Bethlehem, Pa, Feb 8 —Defaulting Cashier Breder of the First National bank has not committed suicide, but is in Toronto, Canada

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—*John A. Andrew.*

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THE COUNTRY TOUGH.

If the bearing of the O'Neil case at Greenfield has not established the guilt of the man accused of murder, it has at least established the facts of how he might have become fitted for murder His training has been that of the country tough, and, as regrettable as it may be to have to say it, most every small town and city is keeping just such a training school for crime as O'Neil has had the misfortune to fall into

A moment's reflection on the evidence given at Greenfield last week shows that in the comparatively small town of Shelburne Falls there have been vicious forces at work that might graduate toughs not far above those of the slums of Chicago or New York

The low pool room at Shelburne Falls, as elsewhere seems to have been the school for vice where O Neil began his pitiable downward career with a number of other chums no better than himself As the Springfield Republican says in reviewing the evidence, the atmosphere of the pool room where the men were allowed to congregate night after night, was evidently of a sort to breed lawlessness and brutish natures Mere boys in their teens, according to the testimony have spent evenings there listening to the oaths and coarse talk of men ten and fifteen years their seniors, and themselves partaking of liquor from the bottles passed around by members of the crowd The place was kept seemingly without a semblance of rule as to the age limit of its patrons or the hours for business The witnesses Friday told of just such carousals and low tendencies in that Shelburne Falls pool room, as are going on in some certain pool room in most every town

And what a pity it is to think that in almost every community there is just some such resort of the country toughs who gather to contaminate themselves and the youth who meet with them Shelburne Falls is no exception and no worse than other towns. But is there no way of preventing these schools of vice? Is the law always strictly enforced? It most certainly is not. These wicked practices are allowed in violation of law, and no community can afford to allow it. Shelburne Falls is now suffering from her neglect Her good name is tarnished And let every other community learn a lesson from this town's experience, and remember the real danger that exists in a dormant public conscience.

MARY LYON

The year 1897 is historic in the review of the history of Mary Lyon, founder of Mt. Holyoke seminary, and of Mt Holyoke college, as it has been known since January 31, 1893. Sunday February 28 will be the centennial of the birth of Miss Lyon, and many ministers of different denominations have signified their intention of preaching on her life and the history and influence of the institution The money for the founding of Mt. Holyoke came mainly from the churches of New England Mary Lyon was born in Buckland, Mass, February 28, 1797, and died in South Hadley, Mass., March 5 1849 For twelve years she was the principal of the seminary that is now a college She was a teacher for thirty-five years of more than three thousand pupils. She was the first to introduce into the schools of Buckland and vicinity the study of geography with maps. She organized in that town its first missionary society At Ashland, Mass., Academy, under the management of Miss Z. P Grant and herself, she conferred in April, 1824 upon six young women the first testimonials ever publicly conferred on young girls. Mt. Holyoke seminary, opened in 1837, was the first attempt to promote the education of young women by public beneficience In 1835, Miss Lyon and Miss Grant organized in Ipswich, Mass., Seminary the first society for aiding the education of women She had the college idea in mind, although for prudential reasons she called the institution a seminary. She strove to put within the reach of young girls of moderate means such opportunities that none could find better ones. She seems to have originated the distinctive movement for the higher education of women under Christian influences.

OPEN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY SUNDAYS.

Is there any good reason for keeping the public library closed Sundays? This is a question that many in this city find it very natural to ask on Mondays after passing their Sabbaths in need of some book or reference, or after being shut off from study and research the one day in the week which they could devote to the *most ennobling and refining of all companionship—good books.*

There is no good and sufficient reason for closing our public library Sundays. On moral grounds there need be no question that the library with its bettering influences should be open just as much as should our churches

There may be some reason of added expense or added cares and labor to our already hard-worked library force that might stand slightly in the way of Sabbath-opening But some additional expense and even the hiring of several Sunday library assistants is warranted by the benefits that would accrue to many from having resource to the library on Sundays Let it be opened up part of the day at least—that part of the day perhaps when our churches are not holding their services.

But in the name of common sense and a proper *sense of the uses* of a public library, we ask our city library committee to open the doors of the North Adams library on Sundays. Let the darkness of former custom in this matter be banished We are living in the closing years of the nineteenth century

A word to all our legislators at Boston when it comes convenient we want a fish *hatchery right up here* in Northern Berkshire It is the place of all places in Massachusetts that can most reasonably ask for a hatchery,—for it is the home of the peerless trout and if we had a *hatchery here it would* be a still greater fishing region Let us have a hatchery

Mrs. H J Millard's service for a period of ten years as president of the local W C. T U. is an example of true devotion and most praiseworthy effort in a noble cause Were there more such women there would be less intemperance and more goodness in the world

The new hose wagon has proved itself a great success. Give Chief Byars some more of the apparatus that he wants and fire will have a hard time in North Adams The fire chief is as conscientious and hard-working city official as we have on the city's list

Judge Lyman did right in holding O Neil for the grand jury for the murder of Mrs McCloud Such a tough with even slight evidence against him should be kept in jail till the fact be thoroughly established of how much or how *little* evidence can be developed against him

There is just a trace of spring in the air McKinley's inauguration is less than a month away, and so, the good time spring business ought to be at hand

The Czar of Russia has epileptic fits once a month The Nihilists give him fits oftener than that.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS

FOR TODAY

Her Face.

Scant beauty nature gave her In disguise
Rugged and harsh she bade her go about
With face unlovely save the dark sad eyes
From which her fearless soul looked bravely out

But life took up the chisel used her face
Roughly with many blows as sculptors use a block
It wrought a little while To a grace
Fell as a sunbeam falls upon a rock!

Across her soul a heavy sorrow swept
As tidal waves sweep sometimes o er the land
Leaving her face, when back it ebbed and crept
Tranquil and purified like tide washed sand

And of her face her gentleness grew part
And all her holy thoughts left there their trace
A great love found its way within her heart
Its root was there, its blossom in her face

So when death came to set the sweet soul free
From the poor body that was never fair
We watched the face and marveled much to see
How life had carved for death an angel there

—Bessie Chandler

MANY YEARS AGO TODAY

This Date In History—Feb. 8.

GEN SHERMAN

1587—Execution of Mary queen of Scots
1725—Peter the Great Russian reformer and ideal monarch died born 1672 Peter I of Russia founded St Petersburg
1820—William Tecumseh Sherman soldier born in Lancaster O died 1890
1877—Admiral Charles Wilkes of steamer Trent and San Jacinto fame died in Washington born 1798 The Trent affair formed one of the most exciting international episodes of the war While in command of the sloop San Jacinto Captain Wilkes overhauled the British steamer Trent on the high seas and seized two Confederate envoys bringing them to a Union port The prisoners were subsequently restored to an English vessel
1894—Colonel John R Baylor a noted Texan pioneer and Indian fighter also an officer of the Confederate states died near San Antonio born 1823

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Oct 5, 1896.

Trains leave North Adams going East—a1.37, 1.5 18 7 23 9 38, 11 42 a. m., 1.22, 24 10 c2 00 p m

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1 Run Daily, Sunday included
c Sunday only

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THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Elihu R. Spencer in "Romeo and Juliet" at the Columbia

Albert L Blair s lecture at the Universalist church

Music recital at the Baptist church

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Officer Rosasco is confined to his home by illness

—A son was born Sunday to Mr and Mrs. Joseph Holdgate of 8 Potter Place

Mrs Theresa Madden of Hoosick Falls, N Y, is the guest of Miss Margaret McCarthy of Liberty street

—Edward McNamara of Liberty street sustained a dislocation of his hip in a coasting accident on that street Friday evening

—Seats for the return engagement of Daniel Sully in "O'Brien, the Contractor," go on sale at Bartlett's drug store Tuesday morning

—A special meeting of the Salvation Army will be held in the barracks this evening Mr and Mrs. Fred Sugen of Providence, R. I, will address the meeting.

—Mrs C M Plans of Spring street, who has been suffering for some time with an inflamed foot, had the member cut open Sunday It is hoped this will reduce the inflammation and lead to recovery

—The members of the fire department will be treated to an *oyster* supper this evening by the members of Hose 3 The firemen are very fond of oysters and clams

—Elihu R Spencer will appear as Romeo in "Romeo and Juliet" at the Columbia this evening The Buffalo Express says Mr Spencer's Romeo was a strong, consistent, artistic piece of acting "

—The Salvation Army will celebrate its fifth anniversary on February 21 and 22. Appropriate programs will be rendered on those days. Staff Captain Blanche Cox and her secretary, Captain Hill, will be present

—Owing to the new equipment of Hose 1, the company is hereafter required to respond to all alarms in the city Hose 2 *is excused from attending alarms* from boxes 18, 21 32, 42 and 124

—The concert to be given in the Baptist church tonight, under the auspices of Mr Emigo's and Mr Thyng's classes, will be a delightful affair. An informal social will be held after the program has been given

—Arthur Terry, Matthew Chambers and John Ward of this city will give an entertainment at Cheshire, Monday evening February 22 It will be given under the *auspices of the Sons of Temperance of* that place

—Mr and Mrs Arthur Garlick of West Main street were surprised Friday evening by about 40 of their friends, who called to celebrate their twentieth wedding anniversary A handsome chair was left by the callers.

—The lecture by Albert L. Blair at the Universalist church this evening should be largely attended His topic is one which should interest Mr Blair has been heard in this city before and his ability is known

TOLD IN PICTURES.

SENATOR-ELECT MASON AND HIS CHILDREN

Senator-elect William E Mason, of Illinois, has a very interesting family of seven children When placed in line they form a sort of human step ladder At home papa plays the hand organ, Lewis the flute Ethel the piano Ruth the violin Winifred the guitar, Willie the mandolin Roderick the banjo, and Lowell anything he can find

VARIOUS NOTES.

Sachets For Bureau Drawers—Fashionable Nightgowns and Underwear

Dogs' overcoats are now seen buttoned up the back This is a decided and striking innovation and is a great improvement over the old kind fastening around the neck only The animal is much more thoroughly protected and the coat is easier to adjust It is shaped to the body has loose armholes for the fore legs, and the buttons and buttonholes are carried down the spine.

BALL COSTUME

One recently worn by a small short haired terrier was of gray cloth ornamented with red braid and fitted him as well as or better than his mistress dress fitted her

Small sachets for distribution through bureau drawers are often made of fine white linen and embroidered with wash silks like a doily The sachet powder itself comes in small paper envelopes and the linen is made into a case, open at each end into which the envelope may be slipped The case is longer than the envelope, and the ends are fringed Violets forget-me-nots maidenhair fern and similar small floral designs are the favorite decoration and the case may be washed when it is soiled

Fashionable nightgowns now have very large bishop sleeves and are cut square or pointed at the neck A wide collar or a series of ruffles covers the shoulders, and the skirt is full

Medici lace makes a pretty trimming for the edge of flannel petticoats whether these are plain or embroidered The lace should be wide—say three or four inches deep—and should be put on a little full

White muslin, lawn and cambric petticoats are to be greatly worn They are wide and are lavishly trimmed with flounces lace and embroidery No other kind is as pretty as these are but they require constant laundering of course and are therefore a somewhat expensive luxury

Today s sketch shows a ball gown of blue moire and silk gauze. The trained skirt is trimmed around the foot with four ruffles of blue silk gauze forming a ruche through the middle of which runs a garland of tea roses Two ruffles of blue silk gauze on each side define the tablier The bodice is of renaissance guipure and opens in a point in front over a chemisette of blue silk gauze The decollerage is edged by a drapery of gauze and a garland of tea roses which also passes around the gauze ruche forming the sleeves Long cream gloves are worn JUDIC CHOLLET

Remedy For Freckles.

Surgeon Major Wrafter, in a letter to the Calcutta Medical Reporter, says a question has lately been asked there of a wash or remedy to remove freckles from a child's face—something simple and harmless it being for a tender skin

As the term implies, ephelis or freckles, are pigmentary spots seated in the rete mucosum, usually met with on the face and backs of the hands in children having red hair and delicate skin, and are, without question produced from prolonged exposure to the rays of the sun in hot weather as common experience declares but it is evident that the solar influence must act upon a susceptible skin They vary in size from a pin s head to a lentil and are of a brown color They become darker during the summer, but do not usually disappear entirely in the winter months They are of no pathological importance and can scarcely be mistaken for any other cutaneous affection

The following is a perfectly harmless preparation for removing freckles of the skin

Take 9 ounces of lemon juice, half a dram of powdered borax and a dram of white sugar Mix them and let them stand a few days in a glass stoppered bottle till the liquor is fit for use Then rub it on the hands and face occasionally

Engagement Announcements

The rather lately established custom of sending out cards announcing an engagement does not necessarily imply that an invitation to the wedding will follow The engagement card is a bit of individual courtesy and insures a more complete knowledge of the event among the betrothed pair s circle of friends than the mere announcement at some social function will do *There are times when such knowledge* prevents embarrassing complications

When the guest list for the wedding is being made up, house limitations is the inexorable pruner of its dimensions A fashionable and exclusive caterer will not serve when he is asked to crowd 500 into a house that will not comfortably hold more than 350 He goes over the rooms carefully with a skill born of long experience and estimates to within a dozen persons the number that can be accommodated, according as it is a 'sit down breakfast ' or a stand up reception From his decision *there is no appeal Left out acquaintances* should appreciate this fact and realize that rigid laws of space and matter alone have excluded them —Philadelphia Times.

Receptions and Teas.

At teas and receptions guests are not expected to take leave of the host and hostess when *departing* a card *left on the ta*ble covering the point of civility This arises out of the fact that people come and go constantly between the hours prescribed by invitation, keeping the hostess occupied in receiving from first to last. These affairs afford opportunity to entertain twice the number of guests without the discomfort of a crowd when the service in the dining room is continuous.

A hanging bookshelf may be rendered more ornamental if made with the lower shelf extending on either side so as to form a bracket for a vase or piece of bric-a-brac It is also easy to construct one with a small cupboard inclosing the two lower shelves or with portions of two shelves irregularly railed off to hold obrios

The Composed American Bride.

Mr Cecil de Thierry, in his Contemporary Review article on American women, is by no means complimentary to the American bride Perhaps he has had little experience in this direction He takes his examples for the major part from romantic writers

As a rule the American bride at a wedding is the most self possessed person present. Should she be the daughter of wealthy parents the possibility of a mistake is rendered out of the question by a rehearsal of the service, and in any case girlish modesty and nervousness are too often unknown quantities. Not so long ago a New York belle walked up the aisle on *her father s arm* laughing and chatting as unconcernedly as if she were in a ballroom and another s self possession was so perfect *that she paused in front of* a mirror—strange article of furniture for the house of God—in the church porch to ascertain whether or not her hair had been disarranged by the drive.

Americans are rather fond of recording such incidents as these under the impression that it proves the American woman s capacity to be at ease under any circumstances, as though that were not sufficiently proved already But a stranger sees in them proof that the younger girl, as we know her has no existence in the United States She is a child and then a woman The transitional stage, beautiful in its exquisite blending of innocence and maturity, is omitted

To Make Bedroom Slippers

Procure 3 ounces of crimson double Berlin wool a small bone crochet hook and a pair of cork soles Make a chain of 13 stitches and in these work 11 plain double crochet second row double crochet taking up the horizontal loop at the back of every stitch, and increase by working three stitches into the center stitch of the preceding row Third row the same, without increasing Repeat these two rows until you have 11 raised ridges from the toe, which will complete the instep For the side, crochet 12 stitches and work backward and forward until you have a length sufficient to reach the back of the sole, *then break off and work a similar piece for* the other side Join together at the heel Work four rows of looped crochet round the top—that is double crochet—twisting the wool once round a mesh an inch wide before inserting the hook to work the stitch then one row of plain double crochet Line the slipper with flannel and sew to the sides having first bound the edge of the soles with ribbon Finish off with a ribbon rosette in front —Pittsburg Dispatch

Children and Music.

Some people are under the impression that the earlier a child begins to learn music—say at 4 or 5 years of age—the better It is true the practice of an instrument must be begun early when all the muscles of the hands and arms are loose and flexible But the bones must also have attained a certain strength and the brain should likewise be developed to a certain extent I would re*commend that no child* be forced to play before it has reached its eighth year, while I would fix the twelfth as the very latest period.

When a child is 8 years of age, it has probably had two years of schooling and its little brain has become accustomed to some sort of concentration and attention Methodical instruction on the piano or violin may then be begun A competent teacher will thus be able to do incalculable good, while a bad teacher can produce harm in a like degree —Exchange

Consomme Jelly

"Consomme should jelly from its own strength and richness " confides the manager of one of New York s most famous restaurants "but in point of fact it is rarely made to that degree of excellence. In*stead, to betray a culinary secret, two or* three calves' feet are thrown in while the stock is boiling That is for a large supply One should answer for a family s portion Never use gelatin That would not do at all " This trick of the trade is passed on to housekeepers, many of whom have tried and not been able to serve at their own tables the appetizing jellied cold consomme of a few of the city s restaurants

Babies and Brains.

"Babies should not be put to sleep on feather pillows An eminent physician wrote The proximate if not the original cause of great mortality among American babies is some malady of the brain When we suppose death to result from dysentery or cholera infantum the immediate cause is *frequently* affection of the brain supervening upon bowel disease. The heads of American babies are for the most part little furnaces.

Tinware Legs.

If you have a soldering iron you may put 'legs on your tinware that is to be used on the stove and make it last much longer Clean a place with the acid, melt some solder in a spoon and pour it on slowly letting it harden until the little knobs or legs are large enough to be serviceable Aside from saving the tin the contents of the basin will not burn so quickly

A Spoonful

Salt pepper and all spices measured by the spoonful should be measured level not rounding and if you are to use only a half spoonful fill the spoon and divide it lengthwise The tip of the spoon is shallower than the other part and by dividing across the bowl less is used than has been directed

Short lengths of ingrain or three ply carpet make convenient rugs for many places Finish the ends by fringing the carpet our four inches Coarsely button hole the fringed part with some of the rav*elings and tie the fringe into knotted tas*sels With the ravelings make tassels and fasten them between the tied tassels.

A silver polish can be made by mixing a few drops of ammonia with whiting and adding enough water to the whole to make it the consistency of cream It can be bottled and if corked tightly will keep as long as desired It cleans silver without hard rubbing

*Gobelin rugs can be cleaned by rub*bing with a soft rag wet in naphtha No gas should be lit in the room when it is being done, and the rag should be hung in the air afterward till the odor disappears

A little bit of slaked lime mixed with a handful of sea sand that is to be used for scrubbing an unpainted table top or floor will readily remove stains and grease and leave the wood fresh and white

The fashion of swell women going into trade originated in England where well known women place their names on bonnet shop signs In New York there are two ladies who have opened a tearoom, a couple of others have a florist s shop and still others are at the head of a private family hotel.

TOWN TALK.

Alex McClure of the Philadelphia Times says "The two boldest men he knows are John Wannamaker of Philadelphia and Tilly Haynes of Boston. Both went to New York. Mr Wannamaker took the Stewart property, the finest dry goods store in the world, and Mr Haynes took the great Broadway Central Hotel, the largest in the city. But dry rot had crept into both of these magnificent properties and no one dared to grasp them, until John Wannamaker took one and Tilly Haynes the other. A complete and unqualified success has crowned the efforts of both Verily a good reputation is better than riches "

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WHEEL WHIRLS.

The bicycle riders of the country should hurry up and present their claims for recognition in the cabinet.—Washington Post.

Of the 28,000 applications for patents in England during the last year, more than one-third were for improvements in the bicycle.

A bicycle has been run over a pound of broken glass and a hundred tacks and its tires did not puncture. So the millennium is close at hand.—Brooklyn Eagle.

A physician says that insane people ought to ride bicycles, but it is to be hoped they won't. It is hard enough to dodge the riders who are merely cranks.—Boston Globe.

The New Year's Lamps.

This year wheelmen will have the choice of a number of lamps which can be relied upon. New models show less weight than those of last year and have been perfected in many minor details. All parts of the first class article are interchangeable, and methods of attachment to the machine vary to suit the rider. The majority of the new models will burn either kerosene or benzine. Where the latter is used absorbent cotton is placed in the reservoir and soaked with the benzine, which gives off a gaseous vapor, making a bright, clear light, free from smoke. Simplified construction, admitting of easy cleaning and other necessary manipulation, makes the 1897 lamp infinitely superior to anything of the kind previously made.—Philadelphia Times.

When Bearing Balls Are Broken.

One of the most foolish things a bicycle rider can do is to use his machine if any of the ball bearings are broken. This occurs frequently and may easily be detected by the hard running of the machine and the grating noise which comes from that part of the machine in which the break occurs. As soon as the break is discovered the best method to pursue is to remove the broken part at once, as if left in it will destroy the cones by wearing a groove in them. It is a simple matter to take the bearings apart, and the absence of a ball or two will not materially affect the running of the machine. The balls, when taken out, should be replaced as soon as practicable.—New York Press.

A Twenty Thousand Mile Ride.

The long distance test of riding 20,000 miles by George F. Carl of San Francisco is half way completed. He recently arrived in Brooklyn with a record of 10,006 miles to his credit. The assigned object of the ride is to win a wager of $4,000 that no man could accomplish the feat within a certain time, starting without money. Carl was one of the wheelmen who rode the last 100 miles in California with Frank Lenz, the round the world tourist, before the latter sailed for China. Lenz was killed by the Kurds in Turkey. Carl is boyish looking, but seems to know what he is about and is likely to complete his journey in the stipulated time.—New York Mail and Express.

The Value of the Triplet.

A well known New York bicycle maker is talking of building a number of triplet machines to be used for pacing purposes during the coming season. It is said for the triplet that it combines the merits of both the quad and the tandem without their disadvantages. It is only slightly heavier than a tandem, and it has a wheel base short enough to speed around the average track. As it is today, quads cannot be handled on many tracks, and tandems are not fast enough under favorable conditions.—New York Sun.

Punish the Cycle Thief.

One year in state prison is not too great a punishment for the cycle thief. If laws involving such a penalty were enforced throughout the United States, cycle thievery would in all probability be stamped out in a short time.—American Cyclist

To Stop Scorching.

If fines are not sufficient to stop men on bicycles from scorching in city streets, why not capture a few of them and compel them to ride publicly in bloomers?—Boston Globe.

Pneumatic Boxing Gloves.

The pneumatic boxing glove is a novelty in the wind line and is said to be a most pronounced success as far as it has been used. The glove, inflated, looks very much like any other boxing glove, but when taken hold of it is found to be exceedingly light and cool. It has all of the toughness and size requisite and has no hard corners or bumps on it, as are generally found in the hair glove commonly used.

By means of the pump the glove can be inflated to almost any degree of hardness short of the bursting point, and when blown up to a moderate pressure it develops some most remarkable features.

In the first place, it is almost impossible to give any one a black eye with a moderately inflated pneumatic glove, and, in the next place, it strikes a most peculiar blow. The recoil, or bounce, is very sudden and swift, throwing the boxer's arm back to position almost instantly unless he stiffens immediately upon landing. In that event something has to bounce, and it is generally the head of the opponent unless he is very careful and quick in his movements.—Exchange.

He Fools the Touts.

A feature of Pierre Lorillard's new training quarters in England is the recently constructed dirt track which was finished early in the fall. It promises to be fairly good going, and to prevent outsiders from knowing anything of trials Mr. Lorillard, who was always fond of fooling the touts, has a new scheme. There are no furlong posts or any other posts to mark off distances, but instead there are private marks, and in a circular timing house there is a mechanical contrivance that gives the exact angle, so as to be able to time with absolute correctness.—Exchange

SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Some Good Racing.

Saturday afternoon, John Arnold, E. J. Noble, Andrews Hall, Levi Marsh, Dr. A. G. Potter, B. Crosier, C. A. Waters, P. Clancy, Albert Lewis, F. M. Waters, F. R. Shaw and C. E. Buffington were at Arnoldsville with their horses to show speed. Some hot brushes were had but the main object was to witness a race between Mr. Buffington's grey mare "Maggie" and F. R. Shaw's sorrel trotting colt. The first heat was won by Mr. Buffington, the colt making a bad break. The second heat was won by the colt. The final heat was won by the grey easily, thus giving her the honors. Levi Marsh was judge. Mr. Shaw's colt did good work though he was handicapped somewhat as Mr. Buffington has driven in track races and his horse is also an experienced racer.

At the Nye Farm.

About 50 couples from this town enjoyed a sleighride to Nelson Nye's farm in Cheshire Saturday evening and the time was pleasantly spent. The guests presented Mr. and Mrs Nye with a handsome parlor lamp, George Duggan making the presentation speech. The host and hostess proved themselves excellent entertainers. Dancing was held, with music by Messrs. Duggan and Carlow, songs were sung by various members of the party, and a fine supper was served. On the return trip one of the large sleighs tipped over but no one was hurt. They reached home about 6 o'clock Sunday morning.

Tonight's Entertainment.

Tonight Capt. Jack Crawford, the "post scout" will be at the opera house and will give one of his popular entertainments, under the auspices of George E. Sayles post G. A. R. His entertainment given at Williamstown a few weeks ago was witnessed by several local people, who state that it is the finest of the kind they ever heard. Already a large number of tickets have been sold and it is expected that the opera house will be filled this evening.

G. A. R. Encampment.

The Grand Army encampment will be held at Worcester Wednesday and Thursday. Commander F. E. Mole with delegates, E. E. Phelps and Peter Powers will attend. About twenty others of the post with their wives will also attend. Special rates are given on the Fitchburg railroad from North Adams, the round trip being $3.12.

A Handsome Statue.

Probably the handsomest statue in town is that at St. Thomas church. It is called "Pieta" and was purchased in Germany by the pastor, Rev. D. C. Moran, when on his European trip. The figures are those of Jesus and his mother, representing the scene when the Savior is taken down from the cross.

Tuesday Evening's Lecture.

Rev. H. B. Foskett will deliver the second of his series of lectures at the Baptist church Tuesday evening. The subject will be Ben Hur, a tale of Christ. The lecture will be illustrated by a large number of beautiful stereopticon views. It will be very interesting and should be largely attended.

Sunday's Thaw.

Sunday's thaw kept many people from going out. Everywhere was slush and water. Superintendent Whipple did excellent work with his gang of men with shovels and plows early Sunday morning. A few cellars in the vicinity of Edmund's grounds were filled with two or three feet of water. This morning the sleighing about town was very poor.

Arrests Made.

A warrant was issued Saturday for a number of those who attended the recent cock-fight in East Cheshire. The defendants were in court this afternoon.

Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Jones who were married at Cohoes, N. Y., recently, will tender a reception to their friends at their home in Maple grove Tuesday evening.

W. J. Barber of Watertown, N. Y., is in town on business.

Frederick Bessette has taken a position in Joseph P. Flaherty's meat market on Myrtle street.

The concert to be given by St. Mark's church choir has been postponed from Thursday evening of this week until February 25, on account of the Robert Bruce lecture at the Congregation house this week.

Mrs. C. W. Burton returned this morning from Boston.

A few from this town attended a Caledonian social and dance in Pittsfield Friday evening.

The regular drill of company M will be held this evening.

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A Water Panic Caused by Leaving Faucets Open--Polo Game Postponed--Professor Peck to Lecture.

A Water Panic.

There was quite a panic in town Friday morning when many people found their water pipes empty and were unable to draw enough to get breakfast with. The trouble was caused by leaving faucets open to keep the pipes from freezing, a practice which has become too general of late, and the result was that the cold spring reservoir was drawn dry. As soon as the fact came to the knowledge of Selectman Sanford he connected the high pressure service with that of the cold spring. The result was a great stirring up of the sediment in the pipes and for several hours people had to get along with very roilly water. For some time they did not know how to account for the unusual condition and all were wondering what had happened. Measures will be taken to prevent so large a waste of water as has lately been going on, as the danger in case of fire would be greatly increased.

Polo Game Postponed.

The students and town boys, who played a tie game of polo on the Williamstown Manufacturing company's pond two weeks ago, were to play another game Saturday afternoon, but were prevented by the high wind, in consequence of which the game was postponed. It will probably be played Wednesday afternoon if the conditions are favorable. The town team is made up as follows: James McMahon, manager; Patrick Keefe, Frank Grant, Homer White, Harry Beebe, Norman Dale and George Bryant.

The Third Lecture.

The third lecture in the White Oaks chapel course will be given Tuesday evening by Professor Peck of Williams college. His subject will be "Extinct and Living Mammalia," and will be illustrated with the stereopticon.

Tickets for the Capt. Jack Crawford entertainment at the opera house Wednesday evening are on sale at Severance's drug store at 25, 35 and 50 cents.

A party of children were entertained Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Heap in honor of the birthday of one of their children.

Albert Clark has started a fish route.

Mr. Carpenter of Schuylerville, N. Y., spent Saturday and Sunday in town with his son, C. M. Carpenter, a Williams student.

C. F. Chichester, '97, has gone to his home in New York for a short visit and will probably attend the Bradley Martin ball.

At the monthly meeting of the Cosmopolitan club this evening matters pertaining to the annual banquet will be discussed. This has usually been held February 22, but there has been talk of holding it earlier this year. The date will probably be fixed tonight.

George Haab, who keeps a restaurant on Spring street, has gone to work for the Kappa Alpha society.

R. H. Lansing, who recently recovered from a brief illness, is again confined to the house.

A dance was held Friday evening at the home of Henry Walker at Riverside. A number of people were present from North Adams and a very pleasant time was had.

A party of relatives and friends from North Adams spent Friday evening at the home of Joseph Knell. They brought musicians with them and dancing was enjoyed.

George Thompson of Ruether's market has one of the best pairs of bobs in town, and they were in use Friday evening. The coasting has been excellent lately and has been well improved.

The Alpha Delta and Kappa Alpha societies, which are entertaining house parties, gave receptions from 4 to 6 o'clock Saturday, to which some of the townspeople were invited.

Miss Alice Dodge of Dalton is visiting her sister, Miss Winnie Dodge.

A notice of the opening of St. Patrick's church appears in another column.

POWNAL.

Those who got their ice last week may consider themselves fortunate as all the ice in the river went out Saturday night.

S. B. Thompson of North Adams was the guest of A. G. Parker, Jr., Sunday.

Augustus Haly had his back hurt quite severely Saturday morning by a limb falling on him, while he was chopping on the mountain.

The mill was not able to run today on account of the high water.

S. Wright, Jr., manager of the Wright's Heath Underwear company, New York branch, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Merritt Barber, wife of Colonel Barber, U. S. A., of Chicago, arrived in town Friday night and is staying at Dr. Barber's.

BLACKINTON.

Rev. F. D. Penney occupied the pulpit in Blackinton church Sunday and preached his farewell sermon. He was listened to by a large congregation, many of whom expressed their regrets at parting with this popular pastor.

James H. Reynolds will preside at the Y. P. S. C. E. meeting in Blackinton church this evening.

A large number from this place attended the opening of the St. Patrick's church in Williamstown Sunday morning.

The Y. M. C. A. of North Adams will conduct the services at Blackinton church Sunday February 14.

Mrs. Richard Davis is very low at her home in this village and there is little hope of her recovery.

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CHESHIRE.

The annual meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church was held at the home of Mrs. Ester Rider Thursday afternoon. These officers were elected: President and secretary, Miss Susan Tyrrell; vice-president, Mrs. Charles Getman; treasurer, Mrs. Ester Rider.

A social will be held in the parlors of the Baptist church Tuesday evening.

Charles Trotier has returned from Troy, N. Y.

Mrs. B. F. Phillips of Adams and Mrs. Frank Phillips of Holyoke have been the guests of friends in town the past week.

Miss Mary Carpenter of Dalton has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Richard Dunn.

Mrs. George Stowell is visiting in Pittsfield for a few days.

Miss Jessie Cole and Miss Anna Flaherty teachers in the Center school building visited schools in North Adams Friday.

George E. Whitehouse will leave Monday for Central Falls, R. I., where he expects to be ordained.

A free concert and variety show will be given at Dean's hall one week, commencing Monday evening February 8.

The Young Men's Literary club will meet this evening with Howard Chilson. The reading will be from the history of Cheshire. Earl Getman will be the reader of the evening. The club has a membership of 12.

Miss Jennie McClaren of Adams has been visiting Miss Mary Donna.

Miss Olive Wood of Lanesboro is the guest of Miss Lottie Farnum.

THE LISTENER.

Mr. Gladstone says he has bought 35,000 books altogether for his private use.

The only living son of a Revolutionary soldier in New Hampshire is Samuel S. Green of Portsmouth, who is 84 years old.

Ex-Governor John P. Altgeld has announced that he is going to settle down and make some money, as he says he has use for a little.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British embassador, surprised the crowd in the senate restaurant the other day by making his lunch off half a dozen plain crackers.

Representative Messenger, who represents New Hartford in the Connecticut legislature, is the largest man ever a member of that body. He weighs 380 pounds.

President Elect McKinley's instructions in regard to his inauguration suits are that they be made loose about the arms, so that he may not become fatigued by handshaking.

General Horace Porter declared at a recent club banquet that, when invited, he was "seized with a hypnotic intensity of memory which took on the form of neuralgia of the emotions."

Dr. Ludwig Mond, a wealthy chemist of London, has given a building and an endowment of $300,000 for the establishment of an institution to be known as the Davy-Faraday Research laboratory.

Sir John Gorst, who is at the head of the educational department in England, is in hot water for declaring in a public speech that "at birth there is not much difference between a baby and a monkey," and that the monkey has the advantage.

Thomas F Bayard, Jr., son of the embassador to Great Britain, has accepted a place in the office of the corporation counsel of New York. Mr. Bayard will be connected with the department of street opening. He is a graduate of the Yale class of '90.

George Paynter, employed on the Cunard line steamship Etruria and known throughout England as the "old man of the sea," has crossed the Atlantic 804 times. He has been at sea 48 years, 35 of which have been spent in the service of the Cunard line.

Dr. William Ebherd, who was one of the pioneers of Madison county, Ind., died lately at his home near Franklin. Three years ago he wrote the sermon that was preached at his funeral and directed that it should be used. He was a farmer, a physician and an Adventist preacher.

M. Adolphe Deucher, the new president of the Swiss confederation, is a physician by profession. He held the presidency in 1886. The success of the recent Geneva exhibition was largely due to his efforts, which received recognition in the form of citizenship both of Geneva itself and the canton.

Adolph Werthner, one of the three founders of The Neue Freie Presse of Vienna and the only one of the original proprietors surviving, retired on the first of the year from active connection with that journal. He was the business manager of the paper and was one of the most energetic newspaper proprietors of the Austrian capital.

FOR THE HANDS.

Would you have soft, white, fine, firm hands, though you have fires to make, dishes to wash and rooms to sweep? Then follow these rules:

First.—Buy a pair of rubber gloves to wear while washing dishes.

Second.—Wear loose, thick gloves with wadded palms while handling a broom or doing anything else which produces callouses.

Third.—Keep half a lemon in a tray over the kitchen sink. With this rub off the stains made by paring vegetables and the like as soon as they appear.

Fourth.—Never plunge the hands into very hot water. Use a mop to wash dishes as far as possible.

Fifth.—Do not wash the hands oftener than necessary. Dry them thoroughly after every washing. Clean them with oatmeal instead of soap.

Sixth.—Wash them at night in moderately warm water, with oatmeal. Dry gently, and while they are still a little moist rub them thoroughly with a little cold cream. Put on loose, fingerless white kid gloves and wear them all night.

FLOWER AND TREE.

In most parts of Syria, Palestine and Arabia fig trees and date palms are counted and a tax levied on each tree.

There is a lime tree at Nuestadt, Wurttemberg, which is said to be the largest in Europe. It is over 1,000 years old.

Dr. Seemann says that to touch the leaves or stem of the itchwood tree "is like letting the hand come in contact with a redhot poker." It grows in Fiji.

The roots of pear trees run near the surface. Great care must be taken not to injure them by plowing too close. They extend out fully as far from the trunk as the branches.

The smallest flowering plant is the Wolfia microscopia of India. It grows in ponds, and has stem, leaves and roots all merged in one organ, a frond. Each plant produces two flowers.

POWDER AND BALL.

France has kept 200,000 tons of coal stored at Toulon since 1893 to be ready in case war should break out.

Soldiers in the Italian army are permitted to sleep a couple of hours in the middle of the day. The time is fixed in the general orders.

The French have reduced the speed of their infantry quickstep from 128 to 120 paces a minute. The pace remains as before, a trifle less than 3 feet.

THE PASSING SHOW.

It is a fact not to be boasted of that there were more lynchings than legal executions in the United States last year.—Scranton Republican.

Dr. Loubriand has proved that baldness is a disease. People who imagined that baldness was merely an accommodation to the flies will now see their mistake.—Wichita Eagle.

There is no further disposition on the part of the great powers to menace the chip on Uncle Sam's shoulder. They all have wood piles of their own to look after.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The new year ends with 7. It is also divisible by 7, and by no other digit except 1. No. 7 has always been regarded as lucky. So make the most of your opportunities.—Utica Herald.

Here is an Astor heiress masquerading as a chambermaid in a western hotel, and all the drummers on the continent will be kicking themselves that they did not discover her.—Pittsburg News.

If England would take less interest in the suffering colonies of other nations, she might find time to take some sort of interest in the starving millions in her own India.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Irving's Sleepy Hollow will have a trolley line in operation next spring, so the modern Ichabod Crane can ride home by electricity and run no risk of encounters with headless goblins.—Boston Transcript.

In 1790 Benjamin Franklin left $5,000 to be loaned to needy apprentices at 5 per cent. The accumulated principal and interest now amount to $360,000. Poor Richard himself could hardly have managed more thriftily.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The person who offers a stick of candy to a child and then yanks it back is no more heartless than the malevolent gossiper who ever and anon starts the rumor that Queen Victoria is about to abdicate in favor of the Prince of Wales.—Cleveland Leader.

Now that the British lion and the American eagle have got to purring and cooing at one another it's about time that John Bull saw to it that no more of his nobility come over here and embezzle our millions under the pretense of getting married.—Chicago Record.

DRESS PARADE.

Petunia continues to be a very popular color, the pinkish rather than the purple tones of the flower being favored.

Lapped dress skirts, buttoned at the top, with real or simulated buttonholes on the silk lined flaps, will be a feature of many of the new spring walking costumes.

A very marked feature of present modes is the existence everywhere on every style of gown of the square fronted Russian jackets, the bolero, the Eton or the rounded zouave style.

The small, snug Russian toque is a comfortable and well favored head covering this winter, and it is worn alike with skating, driving, walking and handsome "dress" costumes.

Skirts are still in severe tailor style or trimmed to suit personal preference, individual forms and special occasions. They are in circular form or shaped, with few or many gores, as the case requires.

Some of the handsome russian blue costumes are made up with a bolero jacket, girdle and cape collar, edged with mink fur, with a blouse vest of blue, cream gold and green plaided silk. The sides of the front breadth and the hem are bordered with the fur.

Many of the latest wedding gowns have little bolero jacket fronts made of very rich venetian point, honiton or duchess lace, and the satin strapped ceinture is fastened with little buckles set with French brilliants and points, finished with an applique trimming of the lace.

Skirts of handsome dove colored melton cloth are stylishly worn under the long protective Russian redingotes of deep danish red, napoleon blue, russian green or dove gray, that are made with medium sized mutton leg sleeves and velvet cape collars edged with fur.—New York Post.

TOWN TOPICS.

Ninety arrests for drunkenness per day is the average in Boston. Beans are a dangerous diet.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

A civic society in Chicago proposes to "save the Chicago river." Talk about faith that will remove mountains! Here is a faith too sublime for comparison.—Kansas City Journal.

The expectoration nuisance in street cars and on sidewalks has called forth a sharp protest from the ladies of Pittsburg. Unless it is abated the name of the Smoky City should be changed to Spittsburg.—Scranton Truth.

The very latest social diversion in New York is a function where a number of well known society people and clubmen dressed as children under 10 years of age and forgot conventionality for a time. There were no police in attendance.—Boston Herald.

Savannah has been indulging in the novelty of a census of its shade trees, and finds over 11,000 of 49 varieties. It is a creditable record and explains why the Georgia city is remembered by visitors as one of the most beautiful in the south.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat

They are going to pass a law to limit the height of buildings in New York. It is about time that something was done to bring the New Yorkers down out of the clouds so as to enable them to give some attention to matters occurring on the ground floor.—Pittsburg Times.

PERT PERSONALS.

If he should fail to obtain that coveted peerage, he might be called William Walled Off Astor.—New York Press.

Being a descendant of P. T. Barnum, young Seeley may have felt that he had a right to run the greatest show on earth.—Pittsburg Leader.

GLEANINGS.

A Spanish paper refers to the people of this country as "lard and bacon gentlemen."

Oil is supplied to lighthouses on the Denmark coast to be pumped on the waves during storms.

The Chinese have devoted themselves for nearly 4,000 years to the artificial propagation of fishes, shellfishes, fowls, pearls and sponges.

The "Brasher $16 goldpiece," which was struck at Newburg, N. Y., in 1786, was the first upon which "E Pluribus Unum" appeared.

Of the 38 sultans who have ruled the Ottoman empire since the conquest of Constantinople by the Turks 34 have died violent deaths.

The departure of Webb Wilder for Chicago is another instance of the restless spirit of Kansas. Wilder will come back some day without a word and settle down, sadder, but Wilder.—Wichita Eagle.

The czar of Russia is about to create a supreme court. Except in cases of appeal to himself the court will decide on general principles of established law and equity. The czar is getting there slowly.—Boston Globe.

The Duke of Marlborough's carriage recently tipped over, but it is not reported that the duchess had time or warning to prepare herself for the event by donning a new $15,000 cloak and her biggest tiara of diamonds.—Chicago Record.

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Taking Chances.

Jim Faro—I'm in luck. I got $500 last night on the ace of hearts.

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The Widow's Hope.

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The new St. Patrick's church at Williamstown was used Sunday for the first time and the services were largely attended. Solemn high mass was celebrated at 10.30 a. m., the celebrant being Rev. Charles E. Burke of this city, with Rev. George Flynn of this city, deacon and Rev J. J. Fallon, the pastor, sub-deacon. At 7 o'clock in the evening a vesper service was held. Special music was arranged for the day by Mr. Murray, the organist and choir director, and the choir was assisted by singers from this city and Troy.

The church is a handsome and commodious structure and one of which the parish may reasonably feel proud. It is built of brick, with marble trimmings from the Adams quarry, and the architecture, though plain, is pleasing. The building stands on Southworth avenue. It has no spire, but is surmounted by a shapely tower. The interior is handsomely finished in natural wood, the pews and folding kneeling benches being of oak. The pews will seat 444 people and the gallery has a seating capacity of 125. The church is lighted by gas and the fixtures are wired for electric lights, but electric lamps have not been put in. The chandeliers, instead of being suspended from the ceiling, are supported by brass rods rising from the floor, a style that is now common in the large cities.

The windows are all of stained glass and several of them are memorial windows. The central window over the sanctuary represents "The Crucifixion" and is the gift of the children of Michael and Mary Welch, in memory of their parents. At the right of this is "The Ascension," and at the left "The Resurrection," both windows being the gift of the city girls. There are two other windows in the sanctuary, one representing the implements of torture in the sufferings of Christ and the other a pelican feeding her young.

On the gospel side of the auditorium are these windows: "The Sacred Heart," the gift of Rev. J. J. Fallon; "The Blessed Virgin," the gift of the Young Ladies' Sodality; "St. Joseph," in memory of William Robinson, the gift of Mrs. Robinson; "St. Patrick," the gift of the parishioners.

The windows on the espistle side of the auditorium are: "The Good Shepherd," in memory of Mrs. Katherine Piper, the gift of her daughter, Miss Frances Piper; "The Enunciation," the gift of the Rosary and Sepaular society; "St. Bridget," the gift of Thomas Welch and Bridget and Lizzie Allen; "St. Anthony," the gift of Terrence Quinn. The other windows in the auditorium, not figured but having appropriate emblems, were put in by the church. Four of the dormer windows represent Saints Mathew, Mark, Luke and John, and there are two others having appropriate emblems.

The church is heated by steam and ventilated on scientific principles, and is in all respects a most comfortable and attractive house of worship. The altar is not finished and not all of the furniture is yet in. The walls are to be frescoed and the church will not be dedicated till next summer.

Rev. J. J. Fallon has already gained a strong hold upon the affections of his people, although he has been their pastor but a comparatively short time, and the future of the parish is very promising.

VOCAL SOCIETY CONCERT

Will Be Held in Columbia Opera House Tuesday Evening.

The Vocal society's second concert this season will be held in the Columbia opera house Tuesday evening. The society will be ably assisted by the Johnson Quintet club of Boston. The program is as follows:

Land Sighting,........................Gaerey
Vocal Society
The Old Oaken Bucket................Woodworth
Ladies' Quartet
Recitative and Romanza—You and I.....Richter
Mr. Johnson
Street Music.................................Clark
Vocal Society
Melodies Past and Present......................
Quintet Club
Angels Sing On..........................Johnson
Miss Mason
a. Roving................................Damrosch
b. Beetle and the Flower...................Veit
Vocal Society
Duet—Tyrolean Song........................Mein
Miss Russell and Mr. Johnson.
Oh Promise Me..........................DeKoven
Ladies' Quintet
Roman Song of Triumph...........Max Bruch
Vocal Society

O'Neil Safely Lodged.

John O'Neil Jr., charged with the murder of Mrs. McCloud, is lodged in Franklin county jail at Greenfield. His trial will probably occur in April. Lawyer Dowlin will make arrangements whereby O'Neil's family can visit him occasionally, but he will be refused other callers.

That the chain of evidence was tightened at the hearing is generally acknowledged. O'Neil's sudden possession of wealth is largely the foundation for the government's case. It is known that the district attorneys consider it the strongest link in the chain of circumstantial evidence.

To Make a Change.

F. L. Tilton will occupy the store in the Davenport block, recently vacated by Livermore after April 1. A new front will be put in to correspond to that of Sherman & Plumb's. Mr. Tilton will be able to carry a more complete line of stationery, periodicals, toys, books, etc. than ever.

WELCOMED ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mannesmann Cycle Tube Works at Zylonite to Commence Operation.

The Mannesmann Cycle Tube works at Zylonite will commence active operation in two weeks from today. For a time the works will be run to about a third of its capacity. The announcement is most welcomed, not only in Zylonite and Adams, but in this city. The company when running at its full capacity will employ about 600 men, most of whom will be competent machinists. At present about 200 men have been engaged, 12 of these being experienced in this kind of work. The tubing made will for the present be confined to bicycle tubes and the output will be about 7000 of the finished article per day or about two million feet per year. The company now has on hand orders enough to keep the works running for over two years.

The Baseball Outlook.

Manager A. W. Lawson is meeting with considerable success in his efforts to ascertain whether North Adams will support a first class baseball team during the coming season. Already over thirty of the prominent men of the city have pledged themselves to take season tickets, and it is expected that almost every business and professional man of the community will do likewise.

A crack baseball club is a benefit to a place in many ways; it advertises the city far and wide and causes outsiders to look upon the inhabitants as wide awake and enterprising; the games attract hundreds of people from the surrounding towns; and keeps hundreds of people in the city who would otherwise go away for amusement.

Then there should be a local pride in having a team that can defeat teams of neighboring towns, especially Pittsfield.

Mr. Lawson has had any amount of experience in organizing and managing baseball teams and, if his efforts in this city meet with success as far as getting the support of the citizens is concerned, the public may be assured that the team will not be the last in the league.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Romeo and Juliet."

Elihu R. Spencer, whose burst upon the metropolitan stage this season has brought him with one bound into the ranks of the first actors of America, will appear in "Romeo and Juliet" at the Columbia tonight. The play will be put on in exactly the same manner as in New York city, and theater goers of North Adams may once at least have the satisfaction of gazing at a thorough and complete metropolitan production.

"O'Brien, the Contractor."

Thursday evening Daniel Sully's presentation of "O'Brien, the Contractor," at the Columbia will be characterized by the completeness of detail in the way of scenic effect. One act portrays the building of a railroad, and is the acme of stage realism and advanced stage craft. The strike scene has never been equalled for dramatic effect.

MAYOR HOUGHTON'S TALK.

About Sixty Invitations Have Been Issued for Friday Evening.

About 60 invitations will be issued for the talk on city charters, by Mayor Albert C. Houghton in the common council chamber at Springfield Friday evening, under the auspices of the Springfield Improvement association. The invitations will include the members of the city council, the charter commission, the Springfield delegation to the legislature and some of those interested in the new charter.

It was at first planned to have Mayor Houghton talk at a public meeting, but he was disinclined to do this. He consented finally to speak before a party of not over 50 and the committee has persuaded him to slightly increase the limit.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.

To be Celebrated Friday Evening by Lincoln Camp, S. of V.

Lincoln camp, Sons of Veterans, will celebrate Lincoln's birthday next Friday evening, February 12, in Grand Army hall. A musical and literary program will be rendered, which will include some of Lincoln's speeches. Patriotic songs will be sung and a short address will be delivered by Rev. W. L. Tenney. A very pleasant time is expected.

Recovered His Trunk.

Last week Joseph Dehais, a truckman, moved Allen Cassidy's household effects and as he did not receive his pay when finished he kept a trunk belonging to Mr. Cassidy. The latter swore out a search warrant and the officers recovered the trunk. The case was settled out of court.

At the Normal School.

State Inspector Merriam examined the heating and ventilating apparatus of the normal school Saturday and found it to be in good working order.

A DAMAGING FIRE.

Bad Blaze in F. J. Barber & Co's Leather Works Today.

A HEAVY LOSS IS SUSTAINED.

Fire Broke Out in Basement. Cause Unknown. Prompt Work by the Firemen. Insurance. Business Seriously Interrupted.

An alarm from box 8 at 9 o'clock this morning called the fire department to F. J. Barber & Co.'s leather works at the foot of Chestnut street, where a lively blaze was in progress. Several streams were turned on in a very short time after the alarm was sounded and the fire was soon extinguished.

The fire started in the basement and the cause is not known. Chief Byars thinks it was caused by a steam pipe. The floor above the basement was badly burned and the fire went up the stairway to the first floor, where much damage was done, and goods and materials in the stories above were badly damaged by smoke. In the same building is the Berkshire laundry and Brigham Bros. broom factory, and the Sunday Democrat office adjoins. If the fire had occurred in the night the loss would have been far greater. As it is it will amount to several thousand dollars on building and goods.

F. J. Barber & Co. manufacture traveling bags and eather novelties of various kinds, and a large quantity of finished goods and materials in the form of cloth, leather, frames, etc., are ruined. It is impossible now to correctly estimate the loss, but it will be heavy. The building is badly damaged and will require extensive repairs. From 20 to 30 gross of bags were boxed and stored in the basement and it is feared most of them are ruined.

The building and contents are insured through the agencies of H. A. Gallup, Ransford & Haskins and C. W. Ford. The building is insured for $2,000; the machinery for $1,500, the stock for $3905. As soon as the insurance is adjusted the work of repairing will begin and business will be resumed as soon as possible.

Clapp's Band Concert and Dance.

The following program has been arranged by Clapp's band for the promenade concert in Odd fellows' hall Tuesday evening;

Overture—Barber of Seville,..............Rossini
Sextette from "Lucia,"..................Donizetti
Cornet solo—Culver Polka,...........Steinhauser
Remi Fluette.
Selection—Chimes of Normandy......Planquette
Clarinet solo—Polonaise Brilliant.........Missud
Lester Thompson.
Mazourka Russe—La Czarina,..............Ganne
A Kansas Two Step (Burlesque)...........Pryor

Dancing will be in order after the concert program. Refreshments will be served during the evening by Hosford & Torrey.

An Agreeable Surprise.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lillie R. Kent of Sperry avenue Friday. A number of friends surprised Mrs. Kent by calling and presenting her with several handsome presents, among which was a beautiful parlor lamp. During the evening games and other amusements were enjoyed and refreshments were served. The event was in honor of Mrs. Kent's birthday.

House and Barn Burned.

A damaging fire occured in Clarksburg late Saturday evening, when the house and barn of Wilfred Pecor, formerly owned by Ambrose Hathaway, with most of the contents were burned. The fire started in the house, and it is thought it was caused by the explosion of a lamp. The property was insured for $1800 through George F. Miller's agency.

Accident to Coasters.

A pair of bobs containing six boys and girls ran into a hydrant on Meadow street Friday night. Jennie Bacon of Bank street sprained her ankle; Lulu Lawler of Marietta street received a gash over the right eye, and Harry Rice, who was steering the bob, was badly bruised. The others escaped injuries.

"Birds of North Adams."

Miss Harriet A. Hathaway will give another of her interesting talks on "Birds" in the Universalist parlors Friday evening. Her subject will be "The 50 Birds of North Adams." At this meeting an effort will be made to renew the interest in the Audubon society.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs David Bingham of Chase avenue is visiting friends in Balston Spa., N. Y.

Dr. O. J. Brown is in Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

—A portion of the roof of the Estey mill was blown off Saturday night. Workmen repaired the damage Sunday.

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TRIED TO ESCAPE.

A Timely Discovery by Keeper Whipple at Pittsfield Jail.

Keeper Whipple prevented a jail delivery at Pittsfield Friday afternoon. He noticed that Charles Brusie and John Presdial two prisoners, were taking more time than necessary in the stock room, and a visit to the room disclosd the two men busy in an attempt to cut the lock that fastened an outside door.

They were promptly placed where they will not make any more attempts to break out for some time. The men were in jail for breaking and entering, each on 18 months sentence. Officer Whipple's watchfulness was probably the means of preventing the escape of two and perhaps of more prisoners.

District Court.

The following cases were in court this morning:

Fred A. Reed, the skirt peddler, withdrew his appeal Saturday and paid the fine of $30 for assault on Mrs. Rose J. Jarry of Greylock.

William Grove, Joseph Bishop, Richard Shun, Michael Kanaley, William Lincoln, Augustus Riell, William Carroll were fined for drunkenness.

Edgar Smith, vagrancy, released.

Hugh Kelly, drunkenness, released.

A newsboy, aged 11 years, for larceny of newspapers from the Fitchburg station Sunday, was placed on probation.

Mrs. Eliza Mulcahey, illegal liquor selling, continued until February 16.

Was Formerly at Drury.

A story in February St. Nichols bears the signature of Stella M. Wylie, who is one of the teachers in the Springfield high school. Miss Wylie's name figures quite frequently in some leading magazines. She was a pupil at Drury academy for a number of years and will be pleasantly remembered by many.

Newsboy Gets in Trouble.

A newsboy, aged 11, years, was arrested Sunday morning for larceny. It was alleged that the boy had been in the habit of removing Sunday papers at the depot from bundles which were thrown off here for Cheshire dealers.

Auxiliary Society's Sale.

The sale under the auspices of the Father Mathew Ladies' Auxilary society will be held in Columbia hall Wednesday evening. A large assortment of fancy and useful articles will be offered for sale. Supper will be served early in the evening.

No Liquor Found.

Chief Kendall, accompanied by Officer Jones and Whipple, conducted a raid Sunday morning at the home of Mrs. Eliza Mulcahey, 37 West Main street, but found nothing more than evidences of illegal selling.

A Challenge.

The Williamstown polo team is prepared to play any team in Berkshire county. For particulars address James McMahon, manager, Williamstown, Mass.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—Henry Lane, the young son of Henry Lane of Bryant street, who recently sustained a fractured skull by a coasting accident, underwent the operation of trephining a day or two ago, Dr. Card performed the operation. The boy is now doing well and will recover.

A North Adams Mason.

Without Square or Trowel Lays a New Foundation. How He Did It. A Pointer to the Craft.

"I am a mason by trade and I think my occupation is particularly hard on the back" says Mr. H. T. Restrew, 52 Center street. "I get warm and am exposed to the wind while perspiring. My work compells me to bend forward at the same time and strain the loins so I do not wonder that from time to time for several years I have attacks of backache that make it agonizing to stoop. Distress during the day was often followed by sleepless nights from severe pain. When these attacks occurred there was always a reddish deposit in the urine that seemed to further weaken my back. I wore a belt for years believing that it protected my kidneys to some extent. Some time ago I was taken with a spell and in looking for some remedy to drive it away I read one or two articles about Doan's Kidney Pills curing backache and other afflictions due to bad kidneys. I decided to try them and procuring a box at Burlingame & Darbys commenced their use. I was well rewarded for making the trial because almost immediately I was relieved and I stopped taking them before the box was finished as I had no further need for them, there being no more urinary trouble, backache or lameness. An acquaintance was complaining to me of his back. I gave him what Doan's Kidney Pills I had left. He stated to me that they had cured him."

This is only one case in hundreds right here in North Adams—people whom you may know, people whose statements cannot be disputed.

Ask them about Doan's Kidney Pills, that is, if you are interested, and it must interest you if you have a bad back, a lame or aching one. Like Mr. Restrew you may be using belts or other means without striking at the cause. Regulate the kidneys action and you remove the cause of backache in most cases.

Doan's Kidney Pills are for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents or mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

SNAKES.

The serpent has two lungs, but only one is developed, the other being rudimentary.

Snake experts say that of all venomous reptiles the rattlesnake is the most deadly.

A snake has a liver, which, fortunately, however, does not often get out of order, only one lobe being developed.

A snake finds the same difficulty in crossing a plate of glass that a man experiences in walking upon very smooth ice.

Throughout the East Indies arsenic, in pills or liquid solution, is considered an infallible remedy for the bite of the cobra and other poisonous snakes.

The cobra, or "spectacle snake," from the markings on his back, when angered, distends the neck, just below the head, sometimes to 5 or 6 inches in breadth.

Students of history are inclined to believe, from the commonness of the dragon tradition in almost every country, that a serpentlike animal with feet probably once existed.

The kings of Assyria and of Babylon adopted for their standard a great red dragon, and the same emblem was employed by Cyrus in the Persian and Median armies.

The snake has more back bones or vertebræ than any other creature, for serpents, even of the smallest size, commonly have more than 100. Some of the largest pythons and boas have over 400.

The story about the rattlesnake charming birds and small animals has been repeated so often and with such circumstantiality of detail that the naturalists concede there is a strong probability of its truth.

The life of the serpent is sometimes protracted far beyond a period that would be deemed reasonable. In the python temples of western Africa there are serpents which are known to have been there a century and a half ago.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

CURTAIN RAISERS.

R. C. Carton's "Liberty Hall" has met with great success at Johannesburg.

Henri Lieutat's comic opera, "Mimi Pinson," is to be produced at the Paris Opera Comique.

Camille Cleveland is to play an important role in "New York," the latest Alfriend-Wheeler play.

W. L. Buchanan will impersonate General Gomez in the forthcoming production of "Cuba's Vow" in New York city.

Edward Compton contemplates an early production in England of Edgar Pemberton's adaptation of Thackeray's "Henry Esmond."

William Faversham scarcely fills the bill as the successor of Henry Miller as leading man of the Empire theater stock company of New York.

Paul Vidal's play, "Guernica," has been presented at the Theatre du Capitale, Toulouse, with the scenes which were suppressed in Paris.

M. Van Dyck, the tenor of the Imperial Opera, Vienna, has received from the Austrian emperor the knight's cross of the Order of Francis Joseph.

A vaudeville show recently drew $8,000 in one week in St. Louis, due doubtless to the fact that one of the newspapers "roasted" it as a vulgar entertainment.

The recent annual meeting of the French Societe des Auteurs, Compositeurs et Editeurs de Musique showed the receipts of 1896 to have been 1,700,000 francs.

According to recent newspaper announcements New York will have at least a score of new theaters next season. In reality it will probably have none.

Edmund Gurney, the English playwright, is collaborating with J. L. Shine on a play for Horace Neville, and with Malcolm Carter on a drama for Annie Rose.

CONGRESSIONAL CUTS.

The house has Johns, Johnson and St. John. Quite a jackpot that.—St. Paul Dispatch.

It may have nothing to do with the case, but a more conservative disposition on the part of congress has been noted since the removal of the bar.—Indianapolis News.

One of the members of the next congress proposes to be active in discouraging the habit of cigarette smoking. This blow at an infant industry is one that is likely to find a great deal of popular approval.—Washington Star.

If each state in the Union realized the importance of sending its best men to Washington, the yearly sessions of congress would not only be considerably shortened, but more effective measures would be enacted.—Lancaster Examiner.

A proposition has been made to congress to extend the franking privilege. As it is now used to transport the laundry of certain members back and forth they must want their baggage and furniture carried under similar exemptions.—Boston Transcript.

POLITICAL QUIPS.

It is the same in politics as it is with the "wishbone." One's success depends mainly on having a good pull.—Savannah News.

Some of the new governors walked to their inaugurations and some rode, but it is worthy of note that all took mighty good care to get there.—Chicago Post.

It was surely a common political move to circulate the report that the Colorado legislative hall was infested by mice, just when the new female members were beginning to enjoy the proceedings too.—Richmond Times.

It has been suggested that all the office seekers take part in the inaugural parade. The suggestion sounds very fine, but it must be remembered that the parade must be completed in one day. It is not to be a continuous performance. —Pittsburg Times.

LAW POINTS.

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Juliet

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